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SUBJECT: TRADE COMPLAINT: CLINTON MILLING CO., NEW YORK,
NEW YORK

1. AL-JOMAIH, MAJOR LOCAL IMPORTER HAS REQUESTED EMBASSY ASSISTANCE CONCERNING THREE ORDERS FOR TOTAL 12,000 BAGS WHEAT FLOUR FROM CLINTON MILLING CO. DURING JUNE AND JULY. AFTER HAVING CONTRACTED FOR DELIVERY AT THEN CURRENT PRICES, CLINTON HAS RECENTLY DEMANDED ADDITIONAL \$1.66 PER BAG TO COMPENSATE FOR "ELIMINATION OF EXPORT SUBSIDY." AS NEARLY AS WE CAN DETERMINE, THIS REFERS TO RECENT ELIMINATION OF DOMESTIC MILLING TAX, FOR WHICH EXPORTERS RECEIVED REBATE; BUT IS TOTALLY SPECIOUS ARGUMENT AND CLINTON SIMPLY ATTEMPTING ADJUST PRICES TO HIGHER LEVELS WHICH HAVE OCCURRED AFTER ACCEPTING ORDER. APPEARS THAT CLINTON WOULD BE IN BREACH OF CONTRACT IF THEY REFUSE TO DELIVER AT ORIGINAL CONTRACT PRICE.

TO PROTECT REPUTATION U.S. BUSINESS AND ASSIST MAJOR IMPORTER OF U.S. GOODS, REQUEST COMMERCE VERIFY OUR UNDERSTANDING OF SITUATION AND CONTACT CLINTON TO URGE HONORING OF COMMITMENT AS SPECIFIED IN ORIGINAL CONTRACT.
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